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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
DOWNSTREAM PRESSURE CONTROL AND  
SUB-ATMOSPHERIC REACTIVE GAS  
ABATEMENT

Examiner: K. T. Chen

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Notice Of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.